Faculty Policies Favor Anti-War Effort

Hamilton

The faculty recognizes and approves of student concern regarding recent developments in Southeast Asia. The faculty commends the students for the earnestness and responsibility they have displayed in their activities. The Faculty understands and has sympathy for the desire of many students to be relieved of academic responsibilities so that they may have more time and energy to devote to political activity. The Faculty also believes that the academic integrity of the College must be respected and that a fair and intelligent measurement of the achievement of students in course work must be maintained. In an attempt to recognize all of these factors and to keep them in balance the following procedures are to be in effect as of the present time.

The usual schedule of classes and other calendar events is to be maintained. Students are encouraged to attend classes as scheduled and to keep other appointments. Those who so desire should follow the normal schedule. For those who feel the need to participate in responsible political activity, the following will apply.

1) A student may request that he be granted credit without a grade (i.e. given a pass) based on his work to date. The professor may deny this request only if the work completed to date is inadequate for credit.

2) For seniors. Those who wish to graduate with their class, the deadline will be May 27 for both exams and papers. Those who are willing to delay their graduation will proceed as in number three (3) below.

3) For students other than seniors. The deadline for papers shall be no earlier than June 15. Examinations shall be completed by May 27.

4) Faculty members and students are encouraged to make other arrangements acceptable to both.

Editors Note: Students presently pursuing a "pass-fail" course will continue to do so and may not request to receive a grade at this time. Pursuance of a "pass-fail" course in no way infringes upon the right to request to be granted credit (i.e. given a pass) in their remaining three courses.

Kirkland

Although the Kirkland community will be guided by the following statement for the remainder of the academic year, it is not official academic policy until the college's Board of Trustees votes its approval.

The faculty of Kirkland College, having made its own statement in regard to its concern for the present national crisis, now makes clear its unqualified support of those students whose moral imperatives have moved them to active protest at this time.

In recognition and support of the widespread and organized activities now under way on and off this campus, the faculty has agreed to make whatever reasonable arrangements can be made in regard to outstanding academic work for the remainder of the semester.

Specifically, faculty members are authorized to write final term evaluations on the basis of work now completed when students make this request and in the event that there is an adequate basis, in the minds of both faculty and students, for such an evaluation. In the case of students who elect to complete outstanding work at a later date, extended deadlines may be arranged on an individual basis up to the opening of the Fall term.

Formal class schedules at Kirkland will be suspended for the academic year. Faculty members will make themselves available to students, in order to work out individual patterns of course completion. It will be the responsibility of all students to seek out faculty for that purpose as soon as possible.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Local Activity (Church, SAC, & SAC Marshalls)
1:00 PM — Chapel
Finance
10:00 PM — Kirkland Lounge
Political Action (Mr. Simmons)
5:00 PM — To be announced
First Aid (Dr. Roe)
2:15 PM — Health Center
3:00 PM — Chapel
Draft Counseling
7:30 PM — Bristol
Bond Committee

Communication	10:00 AM — ELS
Tactics	8:00 AM — ELS
Letter Writing	10:00 AM — ELS
Law & Research	8:00 AM — Bristol Snack Bar

Stock Committee

National Coordination	9:00 PM — Student Senate Rm.
Legal	12:00 noon — Pres. Fisher Rm.

Draft Resistance
11:00 AM — Student Senate Rm.
Legal Aid (Utica lawyer Paul Linga)
11:00 AM — McEwen Lounge
Princeton Movement for a New Congress
4:00 PM — Coffee House
Allard Lowenstein Campaign (Bruce Payne)
4:00 PM — Coffee House

Hamilton Starts Nat'l Movements; Student Committees Gain Momentum

BY ERIC HENLEY AND JOE MAURIELLO

The Hamilton Strike Committee has indicated its plans for continued action through its six sub-committees. The actions are both immediate and long-range in scope.

The Campus Complicity Committee has gained national recognition for its initiation of the use of stock proxies and the redemption of US Savings Bonds.

The Committee, headed by Ted Leinwand '73, is investigating the potential use of stock proxies in corporations holding government defense contracts.

The college's endowment fund of $28 million, a considerable portion of which is invested in stocks, as well as proxies contributed by members of the college community, constitute the source of funds.

The bond proposal, originated by Mark Flomenbaum '71 and Dave London '71, is an attempt to procure pledges from bondholders to redeem their bonds July 3.

London has stressed that "bonds represent a vote of confidence in government's management of the country and are used to finance budget deficits often caused by excessive military expenditures." He emphasized that this action would not be detrimental to the national economy.

Thus far, the Committee has obtained bond pledges in excess of $25,000.

The Committee is organizing the stock and bond measures on a national level by contacting colleges and reporting through national press releases.

The aim of the Local Activities Committee, as expressed by Chairman J.K. Hage '72, is to "provide visible ways to be politically active and legitimize the taking off from school."

The immediate concern of the Committee is the demonstration at Griffiss Air Force Base at Rome, Friday. The protest will involve students from Hamilton, Kirkland, Colgate, Syracuse, Utica College, Mohawk Valley Community College, Le Moyne College, and Kirkland Community College as well as clergy, faculty, and other community members.

Peter Wood '71, member of the Committee, stated that the demonstration will be a "peaceful" one and will have the cooperation of the Rome police and Air Force base personnel.

Over 130 students have already signed up to go down to Washington this weekend to join the nationwide protest. The Strike Committee is renting buses for the trip; fare will be $10. per student.

Chairman of the Washington Demonstration Committee Michael Shapiro '71 read a statement by Reverend Sloane Coffin urging students not to attend the demonstration, because the Nixon administration intends to use "repressive measures" to control the large crowd.

The Hamilton Strike Committee, through the efforts of the Finance Committee, has taken in $1675.27 and paid out $50. An unidentified Hamilton student contributed $500 to the Strike Fund, while $100 was contributed by Amenic director Glenn Reisman.

All expenses are approved by the Steering Committee and all check payments must be countersigned by a member of the Steering Committee and a member of the Finance Committee.

Chairman of the Finance Committee Mike Hirsh '72 stated that "efforts must be made on long-range activities."

Hamilton's class of '70 almost unanimously passed a resolution to graduate without caps and gowns and donate the funds, approximately $1300, to the

The IFC voted unanimously to cancel all fraternity social functions for the remainder of the year and to contribute that money to the Committee. The IFC estimates that such proceeds could exceed $600.

The Student Senate unanimously passed a resolution to donate $200. to the Strike Fund and to also contribute any money left in their contingency fund.

Saga's Director of Food Service Wayne Bruns has consented to a food-fast pending Vice-President and Provost Paul D. Carter's approval. Such a fast would contribute 80 cents a day per person to the Committee.

Kirkland Faculty Halts Classes

BY BARBARA SANDERS

Kirkland's faculty voted last night to suspend all formal classes for the remainder of the academic year.

In a statement issued after four and one-half hours of deliberation, the faculty expressed its unqualified support to students who are participating in political protest and stated that all Kirkland students are responsible for making arrangements with individual faculty members for completion of their academic work as soon as possible.

Although approved by the faculty, the statement will not be official college policy until it is approved by Kirkland's Board of Trustees.

Last night's policy statement represents a major shift in the position adopted by the Kirkland Community Tuesday.

At that time, students and faculty voted to continue holding classes but to make academic accommodation for all students committed to political action.

The community's strong opposition to the recent U.S. intervention in Cambodia and to this country's foreign policy in South East Asia was stated on both Tuesday and Wednesday.

Following President Samuel Babbitt's announcement of the Kirkland faculty's new policy, a community meeting was held in McEwen.

Sara Johnston announced that the Hamilton-Kirkland High School organization will speak at the Consortium School in Utica. At 3:00, the committee is conducting workshops on the lawn of the Clinton High School. In addition, committee members plan to organize students from local high schools at a meeting in the Utica Grace Coffee House.

Beverly Horowitz is initiating a group to improve the relations committee will plan student involvement in upcoming between Kirkland College and Clinton women. Her committee will invite local mothers to six seminars which are being planned for the next two weeks. They will also ask fraternities to invite local men's organizations to periodic gatherings on the Hill.

Jeannie Miller suggested that in lieu of buying Mother's Day presents, students send money to the American Friends Service Committee.

At four o'clock in the Coffee House the political action political campaigns. Bruce Payne will briefly discuss student involvement in the Lowenstein campaign and plans to raise funds so that students can devote full time activity to political work this summer. Throughout the day students will work in McEwen compiling lists of the Congressional and Senatorial districts that Hamilton and Kirkland students reside in.

Editorials

Hamilton Policy

Yesterday *The Spectator* asked the faculty to put its trust in the integrity of the Hamilton students. This it has done.

The statement adopted by the faculty means more than implicit trust in the students; it is a mandate for continued action. Hamilton is now one group that has met, reconciled the differences that existed within it, and can now move to combined and resposible political expressions.

The precedent established yesterday, and the decision that engendered it, have been painful in the process. Movement into the unknown is always preceded by painful misgivings.

But all present at last nights college meeting must have felt the excitement, the sincerity and lucidity and the pride that permeated the assembly. We know everyone cares. We know the trust will not be betrayed. And with this knowledge Hamilton will surely move into one of the brightest moments of its history.

Kirkland Policy

Last night Kirkland took a unified stand in supporting the national active protest movement against further extension of the Indo-Chinese War.

After many hours of careful deliberation, the community saw fit to change its stand and join with a growing number of students "whose moral imperatives moved them to active protest at this time." The Kirkland Faculty is to be commended for its strength of conviction and display of flexibility.

By suspending classes Kirkland has demonstrated its capacity to perceive the seriousness of the present national crisis. The college as a unified body has institutionalized both the anguish and the desire for constructive action felt by its individual members.

Though the college is an academic community, in times of severe crisis the activities of any community must be diverted to efforts of resolving the immediate threat. Certainly the thought and intuitiveness which all segments of the community have demonstrated in their approach to the present protest cannot be dismissed as insignificant exercise. Though education of those involved is not the primary purpose of the present movement, it is assuredly one of its finer byproducts.

Kirkland College has reaffirmed its catalogue committment, "That the college years are a significant and vital period of exploration, within and without, which should be enlightened not only by formal curricular work but by every aspect of life in the college community."

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Thursday:
There will be an important organizational meeting of the heads of all subcommittees with the Steering Committee at 4:00 in the President Penney Room, Steering Committee headquarters, to discuss ALL plans for action this week and in the future.

Alternatives Committee Offers Explanation of Academic Policy

BY DAVID MARGOLIES

Editor's note:

The following is a statement of interpretation of the faculty resolution of academic alternatives written by a member of the (student) Academic Alternatives Committee.

This statement is intended to clarify the faculty resolution concerning academic requirements passed by the faculty yesterday. The faculty resolution contains five substantive points.

1. The normal academic schedule will continue as usual. All students who wish to do so will be able to complete the academic year normally: all students are encouraged to do so. The following four provisions are made for those who feel they cannot complete the year normally.

2. A student may request a "pass" (credit without grade) in a course based on work to date. The professor is required to grant this except when the work completed by the date of the request is insufficient for credit. It may be insufficient because the student is failing or because work outstanding (such as term papers, oral reports not yet delivered, or due work already extended) is necessary for credit. Exams, in general, are not necessary for credit. Faculty are expected to explain why work is insufficient and what the minimum requirement for a "pass" would be. Taking a "pass" is very drastic action, and it may have serious repercussions, especially for non–seniors, premeds and prelaws, and especially in a major course. Students should think seriously before taking this option. This "pass" is a final grade and cannot be changed, but unless so decided at the beginning of the semester, this is not one of the usual "pass" grades.

3. Seniors who wish to graduate May 31 must complete all necessary papers and exams in courses which they do not take a pass in or do not complete normally by May 27. Seniors who wish to delay graduation are treated as underclassmen below and will be certified as having met B.A. requirements when outstanding work has been satisfactorily completed. Dean Winton Tolles says that experience has been that such certification serves in place of the actual diploma. These seniors will formally graduate in 1971.

4. Underclassmen and seniors wishing to delay graduation who do not wish to (or cannot) take a "pass" must finish certain papers or exams for a grade. Papers cannot be required before June 15 nor accepted later than October 15. The deadline for exams is May 27. Arrangements for exams can be made individually.

5. This is perhaps the most important point. Faculty and students are encouraged to make other arrangements acceptable to both. For example: a) giving a grade rather than a "pass" for work to date; this would be the final grade; b) various requirements for completing a course (such as papers or exams, etc.) can be waived, and the grade determined without them; c) agreeable deadlines can be set; d) the exam can be further delayed and an incomplete given, (this should be very unusual.) Some of the arrangements may have to be approved by the Dean and Academic Council.

For all academic problems regarding arrangements under the new academic plan, students should immediately contact Bruce Weiss or David Margolies, room 105 Carnegie, at 853–6772, or Marty Kreiswirth, room 120 Dunham, at 853–2715. They will provide whatever assistance they can offer.

The faculty are required to grant a deserved pass and extend deadlines within the stated limits whether or not the student explains his reasons. They are not required to make any of the above arrangements, but they have expressed support of student action if not of student ideas, and they are certainly very willing to agree to all reasonable student requests. A student, however, may have to explain the reasons for his request.

The following 2 points should be made: 1. Students should respond differently to different courses. It is quite possible to finish one course normally, delay finishing two, and take a "pass" in the fourth. 2. All arrangements should be made as soon as possible. The question will be discussed in classes today and Friday. Students are strongly urged to attend these classes. If they cannot attend, they should see their professors as soon as possible.

Steering Committee Meets Area College Representatives

The Central Strike Committee of Hamilton and Kirkland met late into the night with representatives from eight upstate colleges and universities, attempting to coordinate the rising surge of anti-war activities.

Representatives of Hamilton, Kirkland, Albany State, Union, Colgate, Utica College, RPI, and Skidmore attended the meeting.

Albany State, asked to coordinate the area by Brandeis, stressed its feeling that in addition to protesting the war, students should also give strong consideration to expanding their actions to include support of the Panthers and Bobby Seale.

Activities on other campuses represented at the meeting ranged from full strike at Kirkland to a partially supported boycott at Skidmore.

The following activities were reported from other schools:

A takeover of the administration building at RPI; an institutional condemnation of the war by Utica College; boycott and march on the state capital at Union; and temporary strike at Colgate; delegation sent to Washington to meet with Secretary of State Rogers, a trustee and alumnus, asking the Secretary to resign either as a trustee or as Secretary of State.

As of this evening, Hamilton will continue to be a base of operation for the bond drive, a movement supported enthusiastically by all schools in attendance.

Black Union Statement

The Black Community of Hamilton and Kirkland Colleges recognizes the overwhelming concern shown by students and faculty participating in the boycott-strike of classes. The sincerity demonstrated by your concerted direct action is remarkable and will hopefully culminate in meaningful resolutions and accomplishments.

However, it is impossible for the Black community to overlook the injustices practiced against Black people in this country and throughout the world. The military genocide against our Brothers and Sisters in Southeast Asia, which has stirred you to action, is directly parallel to the cultural, economic, and *legalistic* genocide suffered by Black people here in America. Cambodia is but part of a bigger war and revolution going on in the world today.

We cannot afford the luxury of such selective concern. Therefore, we protest, within this boycott, the denial of fundamental rights to oppressed peoples everywhere and the government's conspiracy against our Panther Brothers in New Haven, Connecticut. We protest the imperialistic involvement of the United States in Southeast Asia requiring Black men to commit genocide against another people of color while their own people suffer indignity and oppression at home. And, indicting these colleges, we protest the racism and ignorance which are allowed to cause such disastrous effects on the aspirations and achievements of Black students.

We condemn as either ignorant or unrealistic anyone who feels that these issues can or must be divorced from this protest action, for such issues contribute to the sickness of this country.